TRIG POINT

TRIG POINT is produced by Nick Goldschmidt and his wife Yolyn. After flying the globe for many years as the head-winemaker for the likes of Simi, Allied Domecq, and Beam Estates, Nick decided to start a family company with his wife Yolyn in 1998. The goal of the company was to focus on site specific winemaking from great vineyard sites from around the world. Having produced so many world class wines from around the globe, Nick knew exactly from which vineyard sites he would choose to make his wines.

The wines Nick and Yolyn Goldschmidt produce are all single vineyard, handcrafted, small production, artisan wines.

VINEYARD
The Trig Point Vineyard sits on a bench land site in the Alexander Valley facing southeast in a beautiful bowl. This unique topography protects the vineyard from the wind. The early morning fog and deep gravelly loam soils are ideal for growing Cabernet Sauvignon. Nick has worked with this vineyard many years, as it was the predominate vineyard for the Simi Cabernet Reserve program from 1980 - 1997. Indeed, one of the great uncompromising vineyards of the Alexander Valley and certainly a "trig point" for growing classy Bordeaux varietals.

WINEMAKER
Born and educated in New Zealand, Nick Goldschmidt’s career began in 1982 with a research position at the New Zealand Lincoln University where he graduated with Distinction in Horticulture. Nick went on to specialize in viticulture studies at Wagga Wagga, and oenology at the highly acclaimed Roseworthy program, at Adelaide University in South Australia. During his time as a student Nick worked at noted wineries such as Kumeu River, Coopers Creek and Babich. In 1989, after 18 months of winemaking in Australia, New Zealand, California, and South America; including his first harvest in Chile as winemaker for Calitera, Nick returned to California with an amazing range of winemaking experiences.

In 1990, Nick and his wife Yolyn settled down in Healdsburg, California, with Nick taking the role of Simi’s Associate Winemaker. Nick was promoted to Chief Winemaker in 1991 and became Vice President and Chief Winemaker in 1996. Nick spent a total of 13 years at Simi and was one of the driving forces that brought the Simi Reserve Cabernet program to notoriety. In May of 2003 Nick accepted the position of Executive Vice President and winemaker at Allied Domecq Wines USA. During subsequent acquisitions Nick was named Vice President and Executive Domestic Winemaker for Beam Estates wine portfolio.

As winemaker for Beam estates, Nick oversaw the production of Clos Du Bois, Buena Vista, Haywood, Garcia, Atlas Peak, William Hill, Gary Farrell and Jakes Fault. In the global arena his work has taken him to Mexico, Spain, Argentina and New Zealand where he was involved with blends being imported into the domestic market as well as several domestic brands that were being exported into global markets.

In 1998 Nick and Yolyn Goldschmidt, established their own line of wines with the release of Goldschmidt Vineyards.

WINES
Chardonnay Sonoma Coast
Alexander Valley
Merlot Diamond Dust Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon Diamond Dust Vineyard
Zinfandel The Railyard